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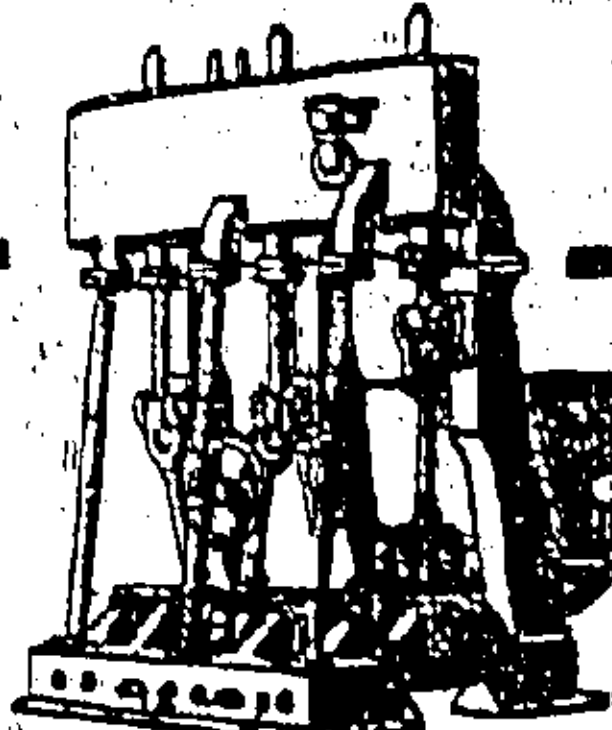
  
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## THE WAR.

### LATEST TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

#### INCIDENTS OF THE GERMAN RETREAT.

LONDON, March 21.  
Reuter's Correspondent at British  
Headquarters reports that the Ger-  
mans are showing a distinct re-  
treat in wholesale numbers,  
fearing reprisals if the Allies reach  
the Fatherland.  
There are very few prisoners. They  
know the wells were poisoned. All  
the wells in the Chaulnes district  
were poisoned.  
The rain quenched many con-  
flagrations.  
The cross-roads to the east of the  
Somme are yawning craters.  
The railway track from Peronne to  
Marche-a-Pot was not badly dam-  
aged.  
We must not expect the present  
pace of the advance to long continue.  
There is evidence that our hustling  
tactics forced the enemy to abandon  
lines that they had prepared for a  
stand.

#### LATEST FRENCH REPORT.

A French communiqué states:  
Skirmishes between our cavalry  
and detachments of the enemy  
occurred on the road from Ham  
to St. Omer.  
We brilliantly carried last night  
the Chateau de Savignies and the  
village of Jussy, east of Ham,  
despite a keen defence by the  
garrison.  
We occupied a general line from  
Ailette to south of Chaulnes. All  
the positions reached have been  
solidly organised.  
We made considerable progress  
during the night north and north-east  
of Soissons, right and left of the  
Luon road, and have taken ten new  
villages.  
We penetrated a German trench  
north of Chambray. Farm on the  
right bank of the Meuse which had  
been, previously, bombarded, and  
found there numerous dead.

#### ANOTHER APOLOGIA FOR THE RETREAT.

A "COMPLETELY NEW  
SITUATION" CREATED.  
AMSTERDAM, March 21.  
The war correspondent of the  
Lohakaiser gives another apology  
for the retreat. He says the Ger-  
man Command did not intend to  
leave the enemy the initiative in the  
Spring, and therefore tried to create  
an entirely new situation, while  
sparing the terrible bloodshed which  
the assault of the enemy's positions  
would have involved. The retreat  
has nullified the projected Anglo-  
French offensive.

The Correspondent glances over the  
spectacle of the "Empire of Death"  
zone, before the German positions in  
which not a solitary object is left.  
German apologists are by no means  
unanimous regarding the object of  
the retreat. Many do not agree with  
the "second Tannenberg" theory  
meaning open warfare, and boast  
that the Germans are occupying in-  
trenched positions surpassing any-  
thing hitherto seen.

A SEMI-OFFICIAL STATEMENT.  
A semi-official Berlin telegram  
says the German withdrawal creates  
a completely new situation in the  
West. It asserts that the retire-  
ment was effected unknown to the  
Allies. Thus, Peronne was evacuated  
on the night of the 18th and was not  
occupied until the evening of the  
17th. It adds: "Everything ser-  
viceable to the enemy was destroyed,  
though the greatest consideration  
was paid to the inhabitants. The  
operations were carried out in the  
maneuver. Apart from some ten  
thousand who lost their way in the wide  
terrain, we had no losses."

#### DISCUSSING MEASURES TO OVER- THROW BETHMANN-HOLLWEG.

AMSTERDAM, March 21.  
The Tagblatt states that there has  
been a secret meeting at Munich  
of the National Committee for the  
speedy defeat of England, at which  
measures for the overthrow of von  
Bethmann-Hollweg were discussed.

#### FRENCH INDIGNATION AT GERMAN BARBARISM.

PARIS, March 21.  
The newspapers are very indignant  
at the German barbarism, especially  
the carrying off of girls at Noyon and  
the wanton destruction of the his-  
toric castle of Comcy. It is sug-  
gested that the Allies should inform  
Germany that a German town will  
be destroyed for every French and  
Belgian town mined.

#### DARING OF BRITISH AIRMEN.

PARIS, March 21.  
French correspondents on the British  
front express great admiration of the  
work of our aviators. They state that  
the bomb-throwers and machine-gunners  
of the Flying Corps, flying low, have  
often daringly attacked cavalry, dis-  
persed infantry concentration and  
driven back or annihilated many  
retreating convoys.

#### TWO FRENCH DEPARTMENTS LIBERATED.

PARIS, March 21.  
An expert commentator, summing  
up our front, states that it has been  
carried in some places more than  
thirty-five kilometres beyond the  
positions we occupied on March 14th.  
We liberated two French depart-  
ments representing several thou-  
sand square kilometres of territory.  
Our losses have been insignificant,  
but probably the Allies will very  
soon encounter a large German force  
on the far side of Hindenburg position.

#### RUSSIAN WAR OPERATIONS.

LONDON, March 21.  
A Russian official report, trans-  
mitted by wireless, states:  
In the direction of Sakiz we are  
pursuing the Turks and have entered  
Turkish territory.  
There is great reconnoitring  
activity on the west front.

#### THE MACEDONIAN FRONT.

SEVERE FIGHTING NORTH OF  
MONASTIR.  
SALONIKA, March 21.  
Severe fighting continues north of  
Monastir. The French are pressing  
their advantage and have captured  
a dominating height.  
A Bulgarian communiqué states  
We repulsed new enemy attacks  
between Lakes Ochrida and Prespa,  
also west of Monastir.

#### BULGARIANS BOMBARD MONASTIR WITH GAS SHELLS.

CONSTANTINOPLE, March 21.  
A telegram from Salonika states that  
the Bulgarian bombardment of Monastir  
with gas-shells on the 17th inst. killed  
81 old men, women and children, while  
81 persons gassed are not expected to  
recover.

#### WAR PRISONERS INTERMENT IN A NEUTRAL COUNTRY.

LONDON, March 21.  
Mr. Hope stated in the House of  
Commons that the War Cabinet was  
considering a mutual arrangement for  
interling in a neutral country prisoners  
of war who had been longest in captivity.  
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## INTIMATIONS



IT is hereby notified that, on and after the 23rd instant and until further notice, the Road from Deep Water Bay to Repulse Bay will be closed to horse and vehicular traffic in order to admit of certain improvements being effected thereto.

W. CHATHAM,  
Director of Public Works.  
Public Works Office.  
Hongkong, March 21, 1917. 1800

HONGKONG TRAMWAY COMPANY  
LIMITED.  
(Incorporated in the United Kingdom).

NOTICE is hereby given that the COLONIAL (HONGKONG) REGISTERS of the Company will be CLOSED from TUESDAY, 27th March, 1917, to WEDNESDAY, 28th March, 1917, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.  
W. E. ROBERTS,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, March 19, 1917. 1891

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT  
COMPANY, LIMITED & REDUCED.

THE TWENTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY  
ANNUAL MEETING of SHARE-  
HOLDERS in the Company will be  
held at the Office of the Company,  
St. George's Buildings, "Water Road,"  
Victoria, Hongkong, on TUESDAY,  
27th day of March, 1917, at 11.30 A.M.,  
for the purpose of receiving a Statement  
of Accounts and the Report of the  
Directors for the year ending 31st  
December, 1916, and declaring a  
Dividend.

By Order of  
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.  
Hongkong, March 6, 1917. 1855

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT  
COMPANY, LIMITED & REDUCED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that  
the TRANSFER BOOKS of the  
Company will be CLOSED from  
TUESDAY, 27th March, 1917, to  
WEDNESDAY, 28th March, 1917,  
both days inclusive. The return of  
capital of \$2.50 per share will be  
paid to Shareholders on and  
after the 15th March, 1917, on  
presentation of Share Certificates for  
endorsement.

By Order of  
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.  
Hongkong, Feb. 22, 1917. 1823

THE HONGKONG & WHAMPOA  
DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that  
the ORDINARY YEARLY MEET-  
ING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held  
in the Office of the Company, 2 Queen's  
Buildings, Hongkong, on TUESDAY,  
27th March, 1917, at 12 Noon for  
consideration of the Directors' Report  
and Statement of Accounts for the year  
ending 31st December, 1916.

The SHARE REGISTER and TRANS-  
FER BOOKS will be CLOSED from  
the 21st to the 27th instant, both days  
inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
R. M. DYER,  
Chief Manager.  
Hongkong, March 17, 1917. 1887

HONGKONG ICE COMPANY,  
LIMITED.

THE THIRTY-SIXTH ORDINARY  
ANNUAL MEETING of SHARE-  
HOLDERS will be held at the Office  
of the General Managers at 11.30 A.M.  
on WEDNESDAY, 28th instant, to  
receive a Statement of the Company's  
Accounts to 31st December, 1916, and  
the report of the General Managers.  
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the  
Company will be CLOSED from the  
14th to 23rd instant, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, March 8, 1917. 1862

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FORTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY  
MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS  
will be held at the Office of the  
Undersecretary at Noon, on WEDNESDAY,  
the 28th instant.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the  
Company will be CLOSED from the  
14th to the 23rd instant, both days  
inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.  
General Managers.  
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company Ltd.  
Hongkong, March 8, 1917. 1859

CHINA SUGAR REFINING  
COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE THIRTY-NINTH ORDINARY  
ANNUAL MEETING of the  
SHAREHOLDERS of the above Com-  
pany will be held at the Office of the  
General Agents, Pedder's Street, on  
FRIDAY, the 30th instant, at Noon, for  
the purpose of receiving the Report and  
Statement of Accounts for the year  
ending 31st December, 1916.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the  
Company will be CLOSED from the  
14th to 23rd instant, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.  
General Agents.  
Hongkong, March 14, 1917. 1846

## INTIMATIONS

THE ASSOCIATION OF EXPORTERS  
AND DEALERS OF HONGKONG.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEET-  
ING of the Members of the  
ASSOCIATION OF EXPORTERS AND  
DEALERS OF HONGKONG will be  
held on TUESDAY, the 27th March,  
1917, at 4 P.M. in the CHAM-  
BER OF COMMERCE ROOM, NEW  
GOVERNMENT BUILDING, for the following  
purposes:—

- (1) To receive the Report and Accounts  
of the Committee for the year  
ended 31st December, 1916.
- (2) To elect a New Committee.
- (3) To transact any General Business.

By Order,  
E. A. M. WILLIAMS,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, March 17, 1917. 1888

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY  
LIMITED.

NOTICE.

A N INTERIM DIVIDEND OF FIVE  
DOLLARS per Share has been  
Declared and will be Payable at the  
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation  
on or after WEDNESDAY the 4th  
April.

The REGISTER of the Company will  
be CLOSED from SATURDAY, 31st  
March to WEDNESDAY, 4th April,  
both days inclusive, during which days  
no Transfer of Shares can be made.

DIVIDEND WARRANTS will be  
ready on WEDNESDAY the 4th April,  
and may be obtained on application.

DOUGLAS LARSEN & CO.  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, March 21, 1917. 1801

HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE THIRTY-FIRST YEARLY  
GENERAL MEETING of the  
MEMBERS of the HONGKONG CLUB  
will be held in the Club House on  
THURSDAY, the 29th March, 1917,  
at 5.30 P.M.

By Order,  
E. DES VOEUX,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, Mar 18, 1917. 1885

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO.,  
LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE special attention of the Public is  
directed to the undermentioned  
Regulations which form part of the  
Regulations made by the Electricity  
Council under Section 3 of the Electricity  
Supply Ordinance, 1911, on the 15th  
March, 1917.

33.—"Any person making any addition  
to any electrical installation  
connected to the Company's main  
without obtaining the written  
consent of the company thereto  
shall be liable to a penalty not  
exceeding \$100 for every such  
addition."

34.—"Any consumer upon whose  
premises any such addition shall  
be found shall be liable to a  
penalty not exceeding \$100 for  
every day or part of a day during  
which such addition shall have  
been in existence. In this regulation  
"consumer" means the person  
in whose name the contract for the  
supply of electricity to such  
premises was made with the Com-  
pany, or if there be no such person,  
the principal tenant or person in  
actual occupation of the premises  
in which such addition shall be  
found."

Having regard to the possibility of a  
breakdown of the Company's present  
plant through unauthorised additions to  
existing installations, the Public is  
earnestly requested by bringing to the  
Company's notice any contraventions of the  
above regulations.

Dated this 20th day of March, 1917.  
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.  
Agents.

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LAURENTIC.

"BEST TRADITIONS OF NAVY  
UPHELD BY ALL."

An affecting and heroic story of the  
disaster which overtook H.M. auxiliary  
cruiser *Laurentic* off the Irish coast was  
told at the coroner's inquest on 74 of the  
dead.

Captain Reginald Arthur Norton,  
R.N., the principal witness, said his ship  
carried a complement of 470. At 6.55  
p.m. the witness was on the ship's  
bridge. There was a violent explosion  
aboard the foremast on the port side  
outside the ship, followed 20sec later by  
a similar explosion aboard of the engine-  
room on the port side.

He saw nothing in the water. The  
ship was steaming full speed ahead and  
not stopped.

graph "Full speed ahead," fired a rocket,  
gave the order to turn out the boats and  
tried to send a wireless call for help, but  
found it could not be done owing to the  
second explosion, which occurred in the  
engine room, having stopped the dynamo  
and left the ship in darkness.

The Coroner: How many survivors  
have you?

Witness: One hundred and twenty,  
to the best of my knowledge. All the  
men got away safely in the boats.

In answer to other questions by the  
coroner, witness said the best of order  
prevailed after the explosion. Officers  
and men lived up to the best traditions  
of the Navy. About 45 minutes after  
the explosion, witness continued, before  
leaving the ship, he went round the  
vessel below in company with Mr Porter,  
the chief steward, who had an electric  
torch, and satisfied himself there were  
no more men on the ship.

TRAVELLERS TO THE RESCUE.

The Coroner: Were there any people  
killed on board?

Witness: It is possible that someone  
was killed in the engine room, but I have  
not been able to ascertain owing to there  
being no survivors from the men on  
watch. I know that all the men got up  
from the stokehold. The men died from  
exposure owing to the coldness of the  
night.

He paid a tribute to the kindness shown  
to the survivors by the masters of the  
several trawlers which went to their  
rescue, and mentioned that his own boat,  
which was then almost full of water, was  
picked up by a trawler at 1 o'clock the  
following morning. All the men in the  
boat survived.

Another boat, said witness, contained  
five survivors, although this had been  
exposed to the bitterly cold weather for  
about 20 hours.

The foreman asked if any person was  
seen on the ship at the time of the  
disaster? The captain said he thought  
not. There was one officer on the sick  
list, but he was got away. There was  
plenty of time, though some of the men  
did not wait to put on proper attire.  
Forty-five minutes elapsed from the time  
of the explosion until witness left the  
ship, "and naturally," he added, "I was  
the last to leave."

PROXY TO DEATH.

Medical evidence showed that death  
in every case was due to shock following  
exposure.

The chief naval officer of the district  
said he believed there would have been  
more survivors had it not been for the  
cold night, and instanced the case of one  
boat picked up the afternoon following  
the disaster containing 17 frozen bodies.  
Another boat contained five survivors  
out of twenty, the remainder being  
frozen.

The jury returned a verdict that  
deceased came to their death on the high  
seas on the night of January 25 or the  
morning of the 26th, and that the cause  
of death was shock and exposure.

The coroner asked the senior naval  
officer to convey to the Admiralty their  
sincere sorrow at the loss of such gallant  
lives in the service of their King and  
country, and also an expression of the  
jury's admiration of the gallant conduct  
of the captain and other officers.

The foreman of the jury said the  
captain had acted very heroically, and  
that he did everything possible for his  
men.

DELIVERING UP THE HOARDS OF

GOLD.

2,000 SOVEREIGNS PAID OVER  
BANK COUNTER.

LADY MAXWELL LENT THIRD OF HER  
INCOME.

Staggering under the weight of a  
large leather bag, a man dumped it  
down on the floor of the New Malden  
branch of the London and South Western  
Bank and modestly turned the cashier  
that he wanted to loan £2,000 in the  
War Loan.

The money was paid in sovereigns,  
but the man offered explanation as to  
how such an extraordinary quantity of  
gold came to be in his possession, and the  
bank officials did not inquire.

The official at the bank's head office said "The Daily  
Chronicle" recent that at this bank  
during the last three months as much  
gold was paid as in any of the  
preceding six months.

From all over the country, says a  
London correspondent, sovereigns and  
half-sovereigns are pouring in to the  
local War Savings Committees, from  
people who have felt a special  
compulsion upon the present about  
hiding them, but who say that they  
are not going to risk German success  
for want of their life.

Lady Maxwell, wife of Lieut.-General  
Sir John Maxwell, offered the State  
the use of a third of her capital free of  
interest for the duration of the war. This  
is equivalent to a gift of £1,750 a year.

Altogether she has to lend the  
Government £35,000 her contribution  
towards the cost of war.

In a letter to the Minister Lady  
Maxwell says:—

There is so much that we women  
can do, but I think one of the  
chief factors of this money; therefore  
I am writing to the Government,  
through you, to offer a third of my  
capital free of all interest whatever for  
the duration of the war.

The money has been gratefully  
accepted. A certificate will be given to  
Lady Maxwell entitling to repayment  
three months after the war ends.

"A WIFE'S."

At the other end of the scale is a widow  
who has sent to the War Savings  
Committee a 10s. by note and a  
postal order for 6s., offering what  
she truly calls her "5s. Mile," this  
patriotic citizen caution to the  
money which might be lost in War  
Loan if only women money at their  
disposal would put before fashion.

Birmingham, the Birmingham  
"Daily Post" has sold 22,970,220  
to the War Loan, of £2,752,230 in  
new money.

COUGH TO  
CONSUME

"Only a Cough stop  
it while it is a Cough."

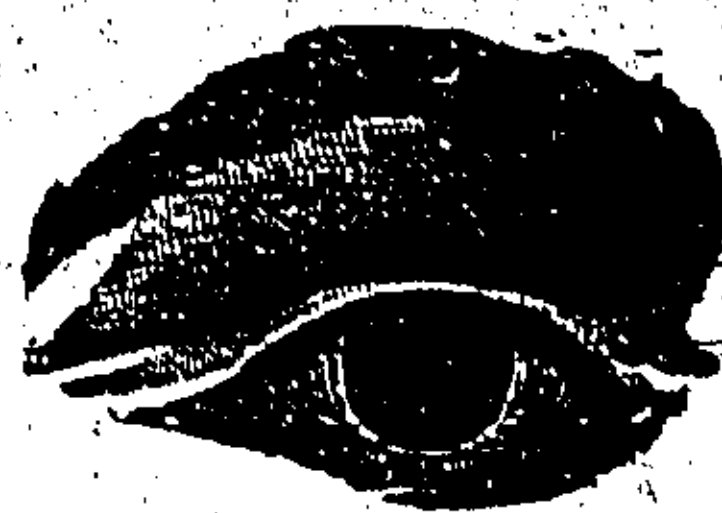
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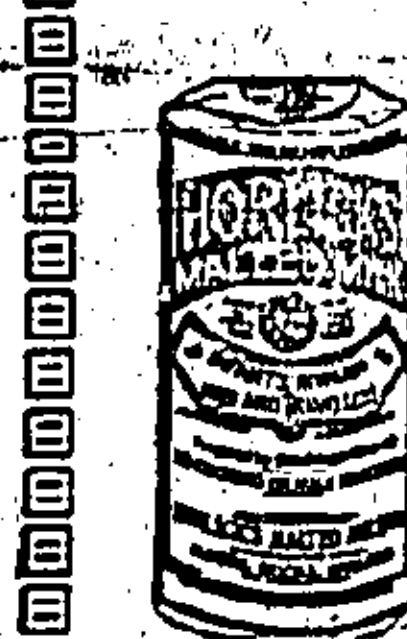
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COLONY.

## POLICE RESERVISTS FOR THE FRONT.

There was an interesting little  
function last night at the Police  
Reserve Headquarters when Chief  
Inspector Fairbrother Mason and  
P. C. A. A. Fyfe, who are leaving the  
Colony for active service at the front,  
were presented with silver flash-  
suits inscribed from the Force as a  
whole, and with cases of pipes from  
the members of No. 2 Com-  
pany. It was also intimated that  
they would each receive a draft on  
London for an acceptable sum before  
their boat sailed. Chief Inspector  
Mason, in addition, was given a gold  
match box as a recognition of the  
hard work he had done on behalf of  
the Corps since its formation.

Mr. F. C. Jenkin, the Deputy  
Superintendent, presided and was  
supported by Mr. J. V. Franks, and  
Mr. T. F. Hough, Assistant Superin-  
tendents, and Dr. Jordan, the Sur-  
geon to the Force. Most of the  
other inspectors were also present.

Mr. Jenkin, in making the pre-  
sentations, mentioned that Chief In-  
spector Mason, who joined the Corps  
on the day of its formation, had been  
"thought" one of its most valuable  
members. (Applause.) One was  
apt to forget at the present time,  
when they were an accomplished and  
disciplined force, that for many  
months, when hundreds of men were  
thrown on their hands, untrained and  
unskilled, it was essential that they  
should be able to fall back on a  
small body of officers who would  
undertake the not very easy task of  
training those men so that they  
might go with credit into the public  
view. For himself, he had no  
hesitation in saying that the manual  
exercises of the Police Reserve were  
performed in as smart a manner as  
they were performed by any other  
Auxiliary Force in this Colony, and  
that was entirely due, absolutely and  
unquestionably, to what Mr. Mason  
had done in the first six months of  
the life of the Police Reserve. (Ap-  
plause.) Upon parade—he would  
say nothing about what he looked  
like in uniform—Inspector Mason was,  
he insisted, undoubtedly the  
bravest man the Corps possessed.

Underneath his jovial manner there  
was unquestionably the very best  
type of man, and he was sure that  
when their Chief Inspector had a  
more serious job to do than he had  
in the Police Reserve he would prove  
himself as good a Britisher as ever  
stepped out of Hongkong. (Ap-  
plause.) Within three months In-  
spector Mason had risen from the  
ranks to his present position and had  
been in the (the speaker's) second in  
command for 18 months. He hoped  
the day was not long distant when  
Chief Inspector Mason would be  
again second in command, if not first  
in command, of a force of 700 men.

It was needless for him to say that  
such promotion was a mark of  
efficiency and of Inspector Mason's  
ability to deal with the problems with  
which they were faced. (Applause.)

Addressing P. C. Fyfe the Deputy  
Superintendent said he personally  
knew P. C. Fyfe chiefly through the  
report sheet. (Laughter.) From the  
discipline department he had learned  
of his extraordinary frailty and his  
disposition to contract all kinds of  
temporary illnesses whereby he had  
claimed that he was entitled to be  
absent from patrol and other police  
duties. (Loud laughter.) He was  
indeed sorry that an otherwise plea-  
sant voyage would be marred, in  
P. C. Fyfe's opinion, by the fact that  
he still owed him an extra twelve  
patrols. All he had to say was that  
he hoped P. C. Fyfe would shoot  
better than he had done while he had  
been with them. However, shooting  
at a target for the Auxiliary Police  
Force was one thing; his whack at  
the front for the military forces was  
another thing and he was sure P. C.  
Fyfe would be there when it had to  
be done. (Applause.)

The gifts were then presented and  
the recipients briefly expressed their  
heartfelt appreciation.

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## SPORTING.

### ST. PAUL'S COLLEGE ATHLETIC SPORTS.

The annual athletic sports in con-  
nection with St. Paul's College were held  
yesterday afternoon on the race-course,  
Happy Valley, by kind permission of the  
Hongkong Jockey Club. There was a  
large attendance of spectators, and keen  
interest was taken in the various events.

The Band of the 7th Punjab, under  
Mr. Christian, discoursed selections at  
intervals.

The officials were:—Patron, The  
Right Rev. Bishop of Victoria; Pre-  
sident, Rev. G. E. S. Updell; Judges,  
Messrs. Wai Wing Yuet, Chan Hing  
Wai, Ho Kwai Chiu, G. Rowan, Chau  
Wai Yau, Wong Siu Pun, Ip Chor Sang,  
Tang Wai Chun, Fok Wing Ching, Chiu  
Yan Kwong; Starters, Messrs. Ho Wing  
Kin, A. Rowan, Wong Saa Nin, E. G.  
Stewart; Timekeepers, Messrs. Arnold  
Hughes, C. Gerke, and Chon Man Woon.

Mrs. Lander presented the prizes.  
The Rev. C. E. S. Updell expressed  
the indebtedness of all to Mrs. Lander  
for agreeing to come and perform that  
day, which was in keeping with her  
continuous and kindly interest in the  
progress and welfare of the College.

(Applause.) There was one note of  
regret in connection with their gathering,  
and that was the absence of Mr. Stewart,  
to share with them in the enjoyment of  
the sports. He was aware that their  
sports were to be held that afternoon,  
and he would be sitting expectantly on  
letters from the boys telling him all  
about them. (Applause.) They all  
regretted, too, the absence of the Bishop  
of Victoria, the Varden of the College,  
who was travelling in China at  
present. They might be interested to  
know that there were five schools repre-  
sented there that day—St. Paul's Col-  
lege, St. Paul's Junior School, St. Paul's  
Hostel School, St. Paul's Girls School,  
and St. Paul's School, Aberdeen, and  
the pupils enrolled in these schools num-  
bered approximately 800. (Applause.)

He personally visited to thank Mr. E.  
G. Stewart and the members of the  
staff for the excellent manner in which  
they had managed and carried through  
the arrangements. (Applause.)

Mrs. Lander, after distributing the  
prizes, was presented with a beautiful  
bouquet by a small girl.

Cheers for Mrs. Lander and the  
playing of "God save the King" by the  
band brought the proceedings to a close.

### PRIZE LIST.

Senior Long Jump—1, Chin Kwong  
Yan (17 ft.); 2, Rok Ping Hong; 3,  
Cheung U Sui; 4, Di Chi On.

Senior 100 Yards—1, Tsai Wah Fong;  
2, Ng Fung Tai; 3, Ho Po Hang; 4, Yu  
Ro Lung.

Junior 100 Yards—1, Wong King  
Chiu; 2, Chan Kwai Chi; 3, Li Ngok; 4,  
Bong Chung.

Small Boys 100 Yards—1, Lam Yau  
Leong; 2, Cheung Hing; 3, Chan  
Ji Young.

Senior High Jump—1, Chin Kwong  
Yan (height 4 ft 10 in.); 2, Ng Hung  
Tat; 3, Tsai Chi On.

Junior High Jump—1, Li Ngok  
(height 4 ft 5 in.); 2, Lam To Man; 3,  
Chan Hon.

Stiff Race (Hurdles)—1, Mr. Wong  
Shan Nin; 2, Chan King Wah; 3,  
Mr. E. G. Stewart; 4, Mr. G. Rowan.

Senior 220 Yards—1, Chin Kwong  
Yan; 2, Ng Hung Tat; 3, Cheung U Sui;  
4, Tang Kwong; 5, Lam To Man.

Small Boys 220 Yards (Hurdles)—1,  
Chan Hon; 2, Wong Lan Wai; 3,  
Lam Yau Leong; 4, Hing Sai Fui; 5, Leung  
Yat Chiu.

Junior School 220 Yards—1, Tsai Yuk  
Lim; 2, Luk Hwan; 3, Young Tai To.

Senior 220 Yards—1, Tsai Wah Fong;  
2, Lu Po Hang; 3, Chin Kwong  
Yan; 4, Li Ngok; 5, Chan Hon.

Junior 220 Yards—1, Wong King  
Chiu; 2, Li Ngok; 3, Chan Kwai Chi;  
4, Lam Yau Leong; 5, Tang Kwong.

Small Boys 220 Yards—1, Lam Yau  
Leong; 2, Cheung Hing; 3, Chan  
Ji Young; 4, Li Ngok; 5, Chan Hon.

Old Boys' 100 Yards—1, Chan  
Man Woon; 2, Cheung Tsin Sing; 3,  
Chan Hon; 4, Li Ngok; 5, Chan Hon.

220 Yards (Hurdles)—1, Tang Yau  
Cheung; 2, Li Chi On; 3, Fung Wo In.  
Senior Hurdles—1, Chin Kwong  
Yan; 2, Kwong Kwong; 3, Li Po  
Hang.

One Mile Race—1, Wong Kam  
Cheung; 2, Hui Lau; 3, Li Shiu Ki.  
50 Yards Hurdles—1, Irene  
Gittens; 2, Chung Yu Wing; 3, Li Mui  
Yung; 4, Li Ngok; 5, Chan Hon.

800 Yards—1, Pui Kwan; 2,  
Cheung U Sui; 3, Cheung Sai Hung.

Three Lead Race—1, Tsai Wah  
Fong and Ng Kam Cheung; 2, Li  
Tsun Hung and Tsai Fong Ning; 3,  
Ng Fung Tai and Li Po Hang.

Sack Race—1, Leong Kwok Kong;  
2, Bong Jook Hin; 3, Lam Yau Leong.  
Consolation Race—1, Li Chi Sui;  
2, Li King; 3, Chan Tak Kwong.

Forms Race—1, Form VA; 2,  
Form VI.

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Special Test for St. Paul's School,  
Aberdeen—An Yung Wong; 2, Chung  
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## THE SONGS OF WAR.

### WHY THERE IS NO GREAT MASTERPIECE.

Mr. Landon Ronald, in an article in  
the *Full Mall Gazette*, has deplored the  
fact that the biggest war in history has  
so far failed to produce a really great  
patriotic song.

"I agree with Mr. Landon Ronald  
absolutely," said Mr. Herman Durewski,  
the popular composer, when a representa-  
tive saw him in his wonderful tree-de-  
corated room at his office, 148, Charing  
Cross-road.

"The jingo, patriotic song is dead.  
No soldier or sailor will get up and sing  
a song declaring that he is prepared to  
die for his country, or even a song ex-  
pressing feelings which he too deep for  
words. But I think the new song,  
"Women of England," of which the music  
has been composed by an amateur, Mr.  
Ronald F. Wakley, of the firm of Messrs  
Morgan, Wakley and Co. (the colliery  
owners, who put £100,000 into the War  
Loan), will be one of the biggest successes  
of the war. It will be sung for the first  
time by Miss Blanche Toulmin, at the  
Palace and at the Alhambra.

"If a really great music has yet come  
out of the war, there is no doubt what-  
ever that the war will be productive of  
great music in the future. Suffering  
purges away the dross; and it is from  
the pure essence of the spirit uplifted  
by suffering that great songs and great  
music will emanate."

THE NEED OF A LIT.

"The reason why no great patriotic  
song has been produced by the war,"  
said Mr. Wilmet, managing director of  
Messrs. Francis and Day, Charing Cross-  
road, "is that people have been so pro-  
foundly moved by it that their capacity  
to express their feelings has been to a  
certain extent paralysed. Soldiers in the  
present war do not sing specially to  
war songs. Any patriotic song with  
little that makes a good marching tune is  
good enough for them. If it can be  
conformed to a topical allusiveness, so  
much the better. "Hold your hand out,  
naughty boy," is a case in point—the  
Kaiser being the "naughty boy" accord-  
ing to the soldiers' version. The most  
successful music publishers are those  
who have taken music-hall songs and  
converted them into war marches.

"Mr. Rudyard Kipling is very rousing,  
but when set to music many of his songs  
tend to become academic. At the begin-  
ning of the war the Army Council  
approached the leading music publishing  
firms with the idea of forming a soldiers'  
musical library. But the publishers  
voted against it; they knew such a  
scheme would lack the spontaneity and  
simplicity that the soldier demands."

"TIPPERARY" is undoubtedly the best  
marching tune of the war," said Mr. E.  
Feldman, of the well-known firm of  
publishers, Arthur Street, W.C. "It was  
known to the soldiers before the out-  
break of the war. The composer used  
to sing it, and the soldiers sang it to  
keep the general public knew much  
about it. That the soldiers displayed  
musical judgment in appreciating this  
tune is proved by the high praise  
bestowed upon it later by such eminent  
authorities as Dr. Ethel Smyth and Dr.  
McNaught.

"Mr. Landon Ronald comments on the  
sudden collapse of Mr. Paul Rubens's  
song. "We don't want to lose you." But  
that song was not a patriotic song in the  
true sense of the word. It was a special  
appeal, written for a special occasion,  
and it served its purpose very well.

MUSIC THAT MATTERS.

"Keep the home fires burning" owed  
its popularity to the tune. Not many  
people are aware that it is really an old  
waltz tune adapted to suit the words.  
It is the marching music that matters.  
All the time to the soldier's tune in this  
war. They are much more anxious to keep  
their spirits up than to tell the world  
what brave fellows they are."

"NEST OF ELIGIBLES."

WESTMINSTER COUNCIL ASKS  
EQUALITY FOR ALL.

A member of Westminster City  
Council, Mr. Harvey Clifton, recently  
made an interesting statement on the  
position of young men still in civil  
employment. There were, said Mr. Clifton,  
hundreds of young men in Government  
service who would only too readily leave  
to join the Forces, but, for the fact that  
their chiefs, who had never so long in  
the go-easy style, did not wish to be  
inconvenienced.

Mr. Clifton asserted that in the re-  
cruiting office at Whitehall there was a  
man of 25, with no ties, earning £2 10s.  
a week for doing clerical work, that any  
girl of 18 could do. In the office of the  
Public Trustee there was a nest of  
clerical receiving far salaries for doing  
mechanical work.

The head of the Trading with the  
Enemy branch was a man of 30, and the  
majority of the staff were also of mili-  
tary age. In the same department there  
was a supervisor of military age, doing  
detail work at a salary of £200 a year,  
and assistant supervisors at £200 a year,  
each simply doing work and supervising  
the work of others.

INDISPENSABLE ORGANIST.

A clerk at the Board of Trade, who  
worked from 9 till 5 was marked by his  
chief as indispensable, although he was  
a young man and could find time to go to  
the City for two hours a day and give  
organ recitals.

"I," said Mr. Clifton, "we can enter  
these delightful anecdotes, we shall do  
something to open the gates for patriotic  
men, who really want to fight, and we  
shall clear out the shirkers."

A member said the aristocracy and  
the working classes had done their duty;  
it was the middle class who were the  
shirkers, and they escaped by the aid of  
their friends in the tribunals. (A Voice:  
"Rabbi!")

The council adopted a resolution ask-  
ing that all men in Government employ-  
ment should be subject to the same conditions  
as to appearance before their respective  
tribunals as the employees of the local  
authorities, firms, or private individuals.

TRouble AVERTED.

THAT little cold and sore throat of  
yours must be checked at once or  
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vanish. For sale by all Chemists and  
Storekeepers.

## INTIMATIONS

## CLARKE'S CIRQUE

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EVERY EVENING







## TELEGRAMS.

(Continued from Page 1.)

## THE SITUATION IN RUSSIA.

## EX-TSAR AND TSARITZA.

## TO BE DEPRIVED OF LIBERTY.

PETROGRAD, March 21. The Government have ordered the ex-Tsar and the ex-Tsaritza to be regarded as deprived of their liberty and to be brought to Tsarskoye.

General Alexieff has been instructed to place a detachment to guard the ex-Tsar at the disposal of four members of the Duma, who will be sent to Moghilev, where the ex-Tsar is at present.

## THE TSAR AND THE DOWAGER.

The Tsar is at Moghilev on the Dnieper, where the Dowager has visited him.

The Dowager has now returned to Kiev, whither she withdrew some time ago in consequence of her son unheeding her warnings.

## AN APPEAL TO THE ARMY.

PETROGRAD, March 21. The Government has issued an appeal to the Army saying that on interior reorganization depends their sure defeat against the enemy. The Government counts upon the unimpaired solidarity and discipline of the Army to conduct the war to victory.

Delegates from the Duma are visiting the front, the Black Sea Fleet and also the provinces to explain the significance of the events.

## TREACHERY FRUSTRATED.

PETROGRAD, March 21. A Cavalry Captain tried to interview the Minister of Justice, Mr. Kerensky. His conduct was suspicious and he was searched. A revolver was found upon him. He snatched it from the searcher and committed suicide.

## INCIDENTS OF THE REVOLUTION.

## ATTEMPTED DEFENCE OF THE WINTER PALACE.

When the revolution broke out the Minister of War and General Khvaloff prepared to defend the Winter Palace and posted a strong guard with machine guns. The Palace officials unsuccessfully urged the mission of the order, and finally telephoned to the Grand Duke Michael, who on arrival requested the Minister of War to withdraw the force. These showed signs of obedience, whereupon the Grand Duke Michael, as Grand Duke and the Tsar's brother, commanded obedience. The garrison then evacuated.

## PETROGRAD, March 21.

Reuter's Correspondent at the old Staff Headquarters states that the troops mustered in the public square whither they had marched with red flags and bands playing the "Marseillaise." At the request of the Grand Duke Nicholas, General Alexieff read the abdication and exhorted the troops loyally to serve the new Government.

## M. PROTOPOFF'S FLIGHT.

It transpires that when M. Protopoff first learned that an armed mob was approaching his residence, he escaped by a back entrance without telling his own guards. He drove off to the village of Shuvalovo, a few miles from Petrograd. In order to put his pursuers off the scene, he suddenly ordered his chauffeur to drive to another suburb where he took refuge in a doctor's house for two days. Then his brother arrived and persuaded him to surrender.

## CRIMINALS AT LARGE.

M. Kerensky, Minister of Justice, announces that the sentences on prisoners, who have escaped or have been released by the mob during the revolution, will be halved if they voluntarily surrender.

## ACTS OF THE PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT.

PETROGRAD, March 21. The Provisional Government has proclaimed a general political amnesty.

It has also confirmed the constitution of Finland and provided for the early convocation of the Finnish Diet. The Government has increased by two milliard roubles the amount of notes the State Bank may issue.

## STATEMENTS IN BRITISH PARLIAMENT.

LONDON, March 21. In the House of Commons at Question Time, Mr. Balfour stated that Lord Milner while in Russia did not attempt to interfere, directly or indirectly, with internal politics. Mr. Bonar Law said that as far as he knew there was no reason to fear for the safety of the Tsar or other members of the Russian Royal Family.

## THE IMPERIAL CONFERENCE.

LONDON, March 21. There was equal public interest in the opening of the Imperial Conference today at the Colonial Office, where the representatives were welcomed by Mr. Walter Long.

General Smuts, being in uniform, was easily recognised and was greeted by the public, the General returning the salutes.

## PROCEEDINGS NOT TO BE PUBLISHED.

LONDON, March 21. The Imperial Conference sat for two hours. The Dominion Representatives welcomed the presence of the Indian Delegates.

The Conference, which has adjourned until the 24th inst., decided that as there are so many subjects to be discussed intimately connected with military operations, nothing should be published.

The newspapers hail the opening of the War Cabinet as the beginning of a new era in Imperial relations.

The Daily Telegraph states that we can now assume the existence of strong public opinion throughout the Empire on a common policy, including defence and the establishment of an Imperial Council. But it is essential to preserve the independence of the various parts.

The Times says the great European problems will henceforth be problems for the Dominions as well as for Great Britain. The fancied remoteness of the Dominions is at an end.

The Morning Post states that yesterday's War Cabinet is the beginning of a union for mutual defence, and the death-blow to the point of view of the Conference of 1907 of equal treatment for strangers and the Dominions. We must have our great tradesmen supported by the Imperial and Overseas Governments. Manufacturers, merchants and producers must be inspired by a national ideal. The British peoples required the world war to interpret the meaning and value of the word Empire.

## MORE BRITISH TRADE COMMISSIONERS.

LONDON, March 21. Sir Albert Stanley, President of the Board of Trade, has announced that the Trade Commissioners in the various parts of the Empire would be increased from four to sixteen. Some would be stationed in India and the Crown Colonies, so that the whole Empire would be covered.

## CHAMBER OF COMMERCE RESOLUTIONS.

LONDON, March 21. The Association of the Chambers of Commerce has passed a resolution in favour of the metric system of weights and measures, and one urging that enemy subjects should only be allowed to trade in the United Kingdom after the war by license.

## LORD FISHER AND THE DARDANELLES CONTROVERSY.

## A SCORNFUL COMMENT.

LONDON, March 21. In the House of Lords Admiral Lord Fisher said: "When the country is in great jeopardy it is not the time to tarnish great reputations and asperse the dead and discover our supposed weaknesses to the enemy. Therefore I shall not discuss the Dardanelles Report, but shall await the end of the war when all the truth can be made known."

## SUMMER TIME IN FRANCE.

PARIS, March 21. Summer time begins on the 24th inst. and will end on October 7th.

## A BYE-ELECTION IN ENGLAND.

LONDON, March 21. The bye-election at Stockton-on-Tees, resulted in Mr. Watson, the Conservative candidate, being returned with 7,041 votes. Mr. Backhouse, the Liberal candidate, received 6,000 votes.

## AMERICA URGED TO FIGHT.

## HUGE CREDIT TO ENTENTE SUGGESTED.

NEW YORK, March 21. At a meeting of the Union League Club, Mr. Roosevelt, Mr. Root, Mr. Hughes and other prominent Americans urged the entry of the United States into the war.

Mr. Harding, Governor of the Federal Reserve Board, urges Congress immediately to legislate enabling the Government to lend its credit to the Entente. It is suggested that a credit of a billion dollars should be given on the security of a simple obligation by Great Britain and France.

## CANADIAN MINISTER RESIGNS TO GO TO THE FRONT.

OTTAWA, March 21. Mr. Pierre Blondin, Postmaster-General, has resigned, having volunteered for overseas service. He will probably recruit a battalion among the French in Quebec.

Mr. Blondin is forty-three years of age and has been a member of the Canadian Cabinet for three years.

## STRIKE IN VICTORIA.

MELBOURNE, March 21. Four hundred iron firms employing 13,000 persons close on the 28th inst., owing to a strike of iron-moulders.

## A RIOTOUS "PEACE" MEETING IN ABERDEEN.

LONDON, March 21. Mr. Fethwick Lawrence, the peace candidate for South Aberdeen, was speaking to an audience of 200 when the hall was rushed by several thousands of people. Windows were broken and the police charged the mob.

## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

## THE ANGLO-FRENCH ADVANCE.

## CONSIDERABLE FURTHER PROGRESS ON BRITISH FRONT.

LONDON, March 21. Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports: "Despite the less favourable weather considerable progress has been made on the greater part of the front of our advance southward of Arras, and a further fourteen villages have been cleared of the enemy. We have now passed the general line, Cambric-Entree-chaussee, Nurlu-Velu—St. Leger."

We drove off a counter-attack southward of Arras and raided north-eastward of Neuville St. Vaast, bringing back prisoners. Our aeroplanes bombed with good results an important ammunition depot. During the air-fights a German machine was brought down, in flames and two others were driven down. Three of ours are missing.

## FRESH PROGRESS BY THE FRENCH.

## SYSTEMATIC VANDALISM BY THE ENEMY.

LONDON, March 21. A French communiqué reports: "Between the Somme and the Aisne our troops made fresh progress. Proceeding to occupy the reconquered zone, our cavalry north of the Somme advanced as far as the outskirts of Ronpy, seven kilometres from St. Quentin, where they gave chase to an enemy cavalry patrol. North-east of Chauny our infantry occupied Tergnier and crossed the St. Quentin canal. Some lively skirmishes with enemy detachments terminated to our advantage."

During a pursuit of several days our losses on the whole front are insignificant. Everywhere is found evidence of systematic vandalism, mostly without military object.

The aviators report that the historic ruins of a castle in the country were destroyed by an explosion. The Germans when evacuating Noyon forcibly carried off fifty girls between the ages of fifteen and twenty-five.

## A SHORTAGE OF POTATOES.

## FOOD CONTROLLERS REPORT.

LONDON, March 20. A Press Bureau notification states that Lord Devonport announces a shortage of potatoes. There will be no further supplies for three months. He urges the public to do without, leaving the available supplies for the poorer classes, to whom they are necessary.

## THE CABINET CONFERENCE.

LONDON, March 20. It is officially stated that Mr. Walter Long attended the Cabinet Conference as a member of the War Cabinet and spoke on behalf of the Crown Colonies.

## THE NEW REGIME IN RUSSIA.

## AN APPEAL FOR NATIONAL UNITY.

PETROGRAD, March 20. Lieut. General Korniloff, the new Commander of the Troops in Petrograd, has issued a manifesto appealing for national unity and trusty support for the fighters.

## THE VICTIMS OF THE REVOLUTION.

The Council of workers' and soldiers' delegates was the Revolution victims buried in the Winter Palace square, which was the scene of the most awful occurrences of "Bloody Sunday."

## THE BLACK SEA FLEET.

The Black Sea Fleet has adhered to the new regime.

## A "LIBERTY LOAN."

It is proposed to raise a "Liberty Loan."

## THE ABDICATION.

## DRAMATIC DETAILS.

LONDON, March 21. Reuter's Correspondent at Petrograd sends General Rusk's historic story of the Tsar's abdication.

His Majesty arrived at Pskoff on the evening of the 14th and was told by General Rusk at 2 a.m. on the 15th that it had been decided to grant responsible government. A manifesto to this effect lay on the table. An hour later General Rusk had a lengthy interview with the Tsar and urged his acceptance of the interests of Russia and victory over the enemy. The Tsar declared his readiness, but requested the presence of M. Rodzianko, who lived that he was unable to leave Petrograd. During the afternoon the Tsar summoned General Rusk and handed him the telegram of abdication for transmission to Petrograd. General Rusk delayed despatching the telegram in consequence of learning of the impending arrival of one of the new ministers, a Conservative Deputy, at which the Tsar seemed hopeful of a change in the situation. Envoys arrived at 10 at night and reported events. The Tsar was most impressed by the defection of his bodyguard and then stated that he intended to abdicate in favour of the Grand Duke Michael. He drafted this new document in less than ten minutes of tense silence. It was written and signed by the Tsar. The Tsar signed and Baron Fredericks, an aide-de-camp, counter-signed the document and within an hour later the Tsar's train left for headquarters. The abdication is closely typed on a telegraph form.

## GERMAN PREHENSION.

AMSTERDAM, March 21. The Berlin *Volkszeitung* admits that the Russian revolution strengthens the Entente's war effort and particularly reinforces the Entente's alliance.

The paper regards apprehensively the springing up of a democratic State on the eastern front.

## DISTURBANCE AT ROTTERDAM.

AMSTERDAM, March 21. There was a disturbance at Rotterdam after the weekending of the Revolutionary Social. The Police charged the crowd with drawn swords.

## DEMORALIZING EFFECT OF GERM RETREAT.

LONDON, March 21. Reuter's correspondent at British Headquarters says: "There was no troubling news from the Somme, although the bridges were destroyed and the losses damaged. Our patrols are not out of the river and the cavalry forward. Many small parties of Jaegers have been encountered, chiefly reconnoitering and galloping off, these attempts one case to cut off one of our infantry detachments, but an airman bombed killed three and scattered the remainder. Prisoners recently captured unanimously state that the most demoralizing effect of the soldiers who do not believe their explanations."

## SIGNIFICANT ADMISSION.

BERNE, March 20. The significant admission is made by the pro-German newspaper *Der Bund* that the retreat of the Germans spells the abandonment of the policy of pledges on the map. The Germans have been too retreating in order to effect a reversion in the rear and gain greater ground of movement.

## THE MOSCOW LINE ENGLISH.

Critics who agree which may be the most recent sentence in English prose or the perfect lines in English poetry is a writer. As to the former, Mr. Havatock Ellis would have many in declaring for "O. alogue, and might be Death!" there would many in favour of Milton's "line of England" to an eagle "under mighty youth and kindling dauntless eyes at the full noon-day" and surely as many who prefer "These are my jewels" from "O. alogue, and might be Death!" while Mr. Ellis's verdict would almost do for Keats.

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## THE DARDANELLES REPORT.

## MR. ASQUITH'S SPEECH IN THE HOUSE.

LONDON, March 20. The House of Commons was crowded with distinguished visitors, including those from the Dominions, when Mr. Asquith rose to make his statement regarding the Dardanelles Report. He asked: "If it was to the national interests not to print the evidence, why in the name of common sense and common justice did not the same argument apply to the report itself? The problems of the first four months of the war were as numerous and complicated as ever confronted a Statesman, and he was content to leave the manner of his handling to the judgment of history. He defended the war procedure of the previous Cabinet, and denied that there was any lack of precision, or that experts were not given opportunities to express their views."

Mr. Asquith took exception to the Commission's references to the late Lord Kitchener, after mentioning that Lord Haldane was one of those who most strongly pressed for the appointment of Lord Kitchener. Although the latter was masterful and endowed with a formidable personality, and was disposed to keep his own counsel, it was a complete mistake to suggest that he lived in isolation, not consulting military opinion. Upon no man in our history had a heavier burden been laid; hence he was indignant at the recent attacks upon the late Lord Kitchener.

The Dardanelles expedition, he proceeded was primarily naval, because the late Lord Kitchener proved to the War Council that troops were not available. The War Council spent three whole days examining the available resources of men and even summoned Lord French from France to hear his views. The War Council also ascertained the opinion of other British and French experts. The whole of the naval expert opinion favoured the enterprise. Lord Fisher's adverse view was not founded on technical naval objections, but on an avowed preference for a different objective in a totally different sphere.

Dealing with the alleged delay in sending troops, including the 29th Division, he emphasized the immense difficulties in connection with this. The Russian position was then bad, and there was urgent pressure by General Joffre and Lord French to keep the 29th Division. Lord Kitchener might have been right or he might have been wrong, but certainly he had weighty reasons. Moreover, what would have been said if the civilian members of the War Council had overruled Lord Kitchener? While the operations were proceeding he was almost in hourly consultation with Lord Kitchener, Sir Edward Grey and Mr. Churchill. Therefore, he took strong exception to the statement in the report that the War Council did not meet during the critical period.

Speaking of the operations generally maintained that they saved the position in the Caucasus and prevented the defection of Bulgaria, they also kept 304,000 Turks immobilized, destroyed the corps *d'elite* of the Turkish army and contributed to the recent favourable event in Egypt, Mesopotamia and Persia.

Sir Mark Sykes declared that the Dardanelles operations, besides immobilizing more than 300,000 Turks, had saved the Russians in the Caucasus, and had prevented the Turks over-running Persia and opening the road to India. There was no doubt that the operations were worth the blood and the treasure spent, and the Commission's declaration in connection on the subject should not have been made without a far fuller investigation. He thought the continuance of the sittings of the Commission would be useless. (Loud cheers.) He also emphasized that the "Anzacs" and others who had died at Gallipoli had shed their blood perhaps in a more advantageous manner than in any other war theatre.

Mr. Winston Churchill explained the Admiralty standpoint. With regard to the decision to attack the Dardanelles, he declared that he was not endeavouring to "relieve" himself of any responsibility, or to "transfer it to the War Council or to Naval experts. After arguing that Lord Fisher, as First Sea Lord, did not exercise his right not to utilize the Fleet at the Dardanelles, Mr. Churchill proceeded to make a strong defense of the operation. He quoted facts refuting the Commission's references to the heavy loss of blood and treasure, and said that of the contrary, the advantages of the attack made themselves inevitably felt in many spheres of operations, including the active adhesion of Italy to the Allies. He referred at length, and regretfully, to the abandonment of the operations when, apparently, they were on the eve of success, and pointed out that this was due to the discouragement suffered from many of the most influential quarters, which had a hampering effect. Mr. Churchill concluded: "The Commission may condemn the men who tried to force the Dardanelles, but your children will keep their condemnation for all those who did not rally to their aid."

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## ANOTHER AMERICAN SHIP SUNK.

## 15 OF THE CREW LOST.

LONDON, March 20. Fifteen of the crew of the American steamer *Vigilante*, including seven Americans, were drowned. The ship, which was flying the American flag and the ensign, had her name painted on both sides. She was torpedoed without warning on Friday morning, two torpedoes being fired at her. The first missed, but the second struck her starboard side and she sank in ten minutes. Twenty-five men were accidentally thrown into the sea as the boat was being lowered. Ten were picked up, but the others were lost owing to the swell. The boat reached land at 4 o'clock on Saturday afternoon. One of the crew was paralysed by exposure.

## SUBMARINE CHASERS FOR U.S.

WASHINGTON, March 21. The Navy Department has ordered 200 small submarine chasers from the Navy Yard and 200 from private firms.

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## OUR SHIPPING LOSSES.

## REASSURING STATEMENT BY SIR NORMAN HILL.

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Sir Norman Hill, secretary of the Liverpool Steamship Owners' Association, interviewed on the shipping problem, in view of the continued sinking, said there was no cause for panic as regards the food supply or the essentials of life.

As a fact, our loss of tonnage showed no steady progressive tendency, either up or down. Taking the monthly average, it was found that the rate and fall oscillated considerably. Up to now the highest monthly rate of loss was 0.34, and the lowest 0.04.

As it was possible that any one of the last three months—November, December, January—would show a higher rate of losses than any previous month, but as compared with either of the other two previous months, there had certainly been heavier losses in the early days of the war, when the raiders Emden and Karlsruhe were out.

As to the future, prospects of the food supply, we can go on absolutely indefinitely, provided we make the best use of the ships we have left and put as many new ships into the water as we can.

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These two things depended almost entirely on the organization of labour. There were hundreds of thousands of trained men in the Home Defence Army who were waiting their time week after week and month after month, and he was strongly of opinion that those men should be drafted back to their civil occupations under their own officers, as the transport situation was doing, subject to a few hours' call back to the colours in case of a threatened invasion.

Alluding to the importance of necessary foodstuffs, Sir Norman said that last year we brought upwards of 40 million tons' weight of cargo into this country from abroad, and of that only about 10 million tons was food. It would therefore be seen that there was a big margin of tonnage of carrying power, and after reckoning the needs of the Government in the matter of the transport of munitions of war still remaining between us and abroad.

The rate of loss up to now had been 6 per cent. per annum, and a halving of the 6 per cent. from this still leaves us with an excess of 27,000,000 tons' weight of cargo in the hands of the shipping companies.

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A steamer	Shortly

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SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
TIENTSIN	YINCHOW	Mar. 23, at Noon
SHANGHAI	YINCHOW	Mar. 23, Daylight
HAIPHONG	YINCHOW	Mar. 27, at 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI	CHENAN	Mar. 27, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	SINILANG	Mar. 29, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	ANHUI	April 1, Daylight
MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	TAMING	April 4, at Noon

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**SHIPPING**

**INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LD.**

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
HAIPHONG	YINCHOW	FRIDAY, Mar. 23, at 7 a.m.
MANILA	LOOYANG	SATURDAY, Mar. 24, at 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI	WINGSANG	SUNDAY, Mar. 25, Daylight
HAIPHONG	LOOYANG	WEDNESDAY, Mar. 28, at 7 a.m.
SANDAKAN	MA USANG	THURSDAY, Mar. 29, at Noon
SHANGHAI	CHOWYANG	FRIDAY, Mar. 30, Daylight
MANILA	YUENSANG	SATURDAY, Mar. 31, at 3 p.m.

**CALCUTTA LINE.** Three sailings per month from Hongkong to Calcutta calling at Singapore and Penang.

Returning from Calcutta steamers proceed to Kobot and Moji, frequently calling at Shanghai.

These steamers have excellent passenger accommodation, are fitted with electric light and carry a fully qualified Surgeon.

**SHANGHAI LINE.** Sailings approximately every five days between Canton and Shanghai, sometimes calling at Swatow.

Steamers on this line have a limited amount of passenger accommodation, and through tickets can be obtained for Northern and Yangtze Ports via Shanghai. Through Bills of Lading are issued to all Northern and Yangtze Ports.

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**BORNEO LINE.** Two sailings per month between Hongkong and Sandakan by steamers having up-to-date accommodation for passengers.

Cargo taken on through Bills of Lading for Kobot, Jesselton, Labuan, Tawau and Lahad Datu.

**TIENTSIN LINE.** A regular service is run from March to October between Hongkong and Tientsin, calling at Weihaiwei and Peking.

Under Straits Government Passport Regulations, European Passengers, leaving the Colony for Straits settlement, are required to produce on arrival at destination passports with their Photographs and descriptions affixed thereto.

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Next sailings for SAN FRANCISCO via NAGASAKI, HAMA and HONOLULU.

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"GOETTER"	April

These superior passenger steamers have accommodation for first and second class saloon passengers.

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(Occupying 9 to 10 Days)

STEAMSHIP	TO SAIL
HAIPHONG	Capt. J. W. Evans FRIDAY, 23rd March at 11 a.m.
HAITAN	Capt. A. E. Hodgins THURSDAY, 29th March at 11 a.m.

**SWATOW**

HAITAN Capt. A. E. Hodgins SATURDAY, 24th March at 4 p.m.

Arrivals and Departures from the Company's Wharf (near Blake Pier).

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**SHIPPING**

**TOYO KISEN KAISHA.**

**SAN FRANCISCO LINE.**

via SHANGHAI, the INLAND SEA, JAPAN & HONOLULU. Sailings from Hongkong—Subject to change without notice.

STEAMER	Tons & Speed	Leave Hongkong
NIPPON MARU	11,000-15 knots	Mon., 26th Mar.
SHINYO MARU	22,000-31 knots	Mon., 2nd April
FERISA MARU	9,000-14 knots	Mon., 16th April
KOREA MARU	18,000-18 knots	Thurs., 26th April
SIBERIA MARU	18,000-18 knots	Sat., 12th May
TENYO MARU	22,000-31 knots	Wed., 23rd May

Fixes to London G\$348. (L71-10-0) Return G\$600. (L122)

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STEAMER	Tons & Speed	Sailing
ANYO MARU	19,500-16 knots	Tues., 11th Sept. at Noon

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**NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA (THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.)**

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

DESTINATION	STEAMERS	SAILING DATES
VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE	SHIDZUOKA MARU (WEDNESDAY, 28th Capt. Noma, Tons 12,500)	March at Noon
TLE - Via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, NAGAYA AND YOKOHAMA	AWA MARU, (TUESDAY, 1st Capt. Hayashi, Tons 12,500)	May at Noon
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	SAKI MARU, (FRIDAY, 13th Capt. Yoshikawa, Tons 12,500)	April at 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	HIRAKO MARU, (SATURDAY, 24th Capt. H. Fraser, Tons 10,000)	March at 11 a.m.
	SHIRIN MARU, (SATURDAY, 24th Capt. Sasaki, Tons 8,000)	March
	SEAGA MARU, (THURSDAY, 12th Capt. Komatsubara, Tons 12,500)	April at 11 a.m.
SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE	BOMBAY MARU, (MONDAY, 26th Capt. Shimohara, Tons 8,000)	March

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SYDNEY and MELBOURNE via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE.

CALCUTTA via SINGAPORE, PENANG & RANGOON.

BOMBAY via SINGAPORE, MALACCA and COLOMBO.

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Telephone Nos. 503 & 502.

**NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES**

**PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.**

S.S. "ECUADOR"

FROM SAN FRANCISCO via HONOLULU, JAPAN PORTS, SHANGHAI AND MANILA.

THE above-mentioned vessel having arrived from the above-mentioned ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Hazardous and/or extra Hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., and delivery must be taken therefrom.

Consignees are hereby notified that General Average has been declared and before delivery of Cargo can be given they must sign General Average Bond, furnish completed valuation statements and pay a General Average contribution of 2% of the invoice value of the goods.

Consignees of cargo are also notified that they must procure an import permit signed by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports, Hongkong.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on MONDAY, 26th March, at 10 a.m.

All claims must be presented within a month of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns and all Goods remaining undelivered after TUESDAY, 27th March, 1917 will be subject to landing and storage charges.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading immediately for counter-signature.

**R. G. MORTON, General Agent.**  
Hongkong, March 20, 1917. 1808

**NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES**

**FROM SHANGHAI, KOBE AND MOJI.**

THE Steamship "SANTHA" having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 27th instant, will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by **DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd. Agents.**

Hongkong, March 21, 1917. 1802

**NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES**

**FROM CALCUTTA.**

THE Steamship "JAPAN" having arrived, Consignees of Cargo by her are notified that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by 28th instant, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined by Messrs. Goddard and Douglas on 27th instant, at 10 a.m.

Claims against the Steamer must be presented in writing within 10 days after arrival of Steamer, otherwise they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by the undersigned in any case whatever.

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Hongkong, March 21, 1917. 1803

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HOUSES in Clifton Gardens, Conduit Road.  
HOUSES in Broadwood and Merton Terraces.  
HOUSES on Shampan, Canton.  
THE RETREAT No. 58, The Peak.  
Apply to  
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY Co., Ltd.

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IMMEDIATE ENTRY, four very desirable SHOPS situated in Ice House Street, opposite the Grand Hotel, recently reconstructed.  
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45, Connaught Road Central.  
Hongkong, March 13, 1917. 1578

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No. 21,  
C/o "CHINA MAIL" Office.  
Hongkong, March 2, 1917. 1543

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SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.  
Hongkong, April 7, 1917. 1511

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Hongkong, March 13, 1917. 1577

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A Flat in Humphreys Buildings, Kowloon.  
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Kowloon Marine Lot 48 with wharf area 24,000 sq. ft. suitable for coal storage or erection of godowns.  
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Hongkong, Feb. 7, 1917.

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Telegraphic Address: MAIL HONGKONG.  
A.B.O. 5th Edition.  
Telephone No. 22.

## HONGKONG REGISTER.

Barometer	20.03	30.10	30.07
Temperature	67	82	68
Humidity	65	81	72
Direction of Wind	S	E	E
Force	4	4	4
Weather	b	b	b
Rain	0.00	0.00	0.00

Highest, open air temperature at the 11.30 a.m. and open air temperature at the 11.30 a.m.  
T. F. CLAXTON, Director.  
Hongkong Observatory, March 22, 1917.

## ALEX. ROSS &amp; CO.

Machinery Office Phone 27.

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Napier, Ford and Hymobile Motor Cars.  
Brooke, Caille and Scripps Marine Motors.  
Triumph and Indian Motor Cycles.  
Royal and Corona Typewriters.  
Duresco Paints and Colourwash.  
Optimus Stoves.  
Jeyes Fluid.  
Cableway Stationery.  
Turner Oil and Gas Engines.  
Simpson and Lawrence Yacht Fittings.  
Dunlop Tyres.  
General Accident Motor Car Insurance.

## PATELL &amp; CO.

Importers-Exporters

Commission Agents  
HONGKONG.

## Branches:—

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.  
YOKOHAMA, JAPAN.

BOMBAY, INDIA.

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SHANGHAI,  
CANTON.NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE  
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COMPANY, LTD.

THE RAILWAY PASSENGERS  
ASSURANCE CO.

TOTAL FUNDS AT 31st DECEMBER, 1914.

£23,970,367.

I—Authorized Capital £8,000,000  
Subscribed Capital £4,000,000  
Paid-up Capital £2,437,500

II—Fire Funds—3,837,047  
III—Life & Annuity Funds—17,537,690  
Sinking Fund Account—125,250

£23,970,367.

Revenue Fire Branch—£2,351,454  
Life and Annuity—2,141,583

Revenue Marine Department—337,239  
Other Receipts—478,940

£2,339,223.

The Accumulative Funds of the various  
Branches are separately invested, and, by  
Act of Parliament, are set aside to meet  
the claims under the respective Depart-  
ments of the Company's Business.

SHEWAN, TOMES &amp; CO.

Agents.

SILIMPON (SEBATTIK)  
COAL.

THE undersigned having been appointed  
Agents for the COWIE HARBOUR  
COAL CO., LTD., are prepared to quote  
prices for best quality SILIMPON  
COAL, trimmed into Bunkers at SEBATTIK  
or SANDAKAN (British North  
Borneo).

SILIMPON COAL compares favourably  
with the better grades of Japanese  
Coal and gives good results on a very  
moderate consumption.

Steamers calling at SEBATTIK or  
SANDAKAN exclusively for SILIMPON  
COAL (either cargo or bunkers)  
are exempt from payment of all Port  
charges.

At Sebatik Steamers are berthed along-  
side the Company's wharf where there is a  
minimum depth of 27 to 28 feet at low  
water Spring Tides.

Charts of Sibuku Bay (Sebatik Har-  
bour). Prices and all other information  
concerning the Port can be had on  
application to the Agents.

BRADLEY &amp; CO., LTD.

Agents COWIE Harbour Coal

Company, Limited.

1097

## EXCHANGE.

Hongkong, March 22, 1917.

On London—

Bank Wire—2/4

On demand—2/4 1/16

30 days sight—2/4 1/4

4 months sight—2/4 1/2

Credit, 4 months sight—2/4 1/2

Documentary, 4 months sight—2/4 1/2

On Paris—

On demand—234 1/2

Credit, 4 months sight—235

On New York—

On demand—25 1/2

Credit, 90 days sight—25 1/2

On Bombay—

Wire—nom.

On demand—nom.

On Calcutta—

Wire—nom.

On demand—nom.

On Singapore—

On demand—nom.

On Manila—

On demand—nom.

On Shanghai—

On demand—nom.

## POST OFFICE NOTICES.

Particulars of outgoing and incoming  
Mails will not be advertised in future.  
The Post Office will forward all corres-  
pondence posted by the fastest routes.

Correspondence addressed to enemy

subjects in China, Siam, Liberia, Portu-

guese East Africa, Persia and Morocco

cannot be transmitted.

The Services to Germany, Austria,

Belgium and the Ottoman Empire are

suspended.

## LOCAL AND REGULAR MAILES

## OUTWARD.

For WEEK-DAYS SUNDAYS &amp; HOLIDAYS

Tai O—5.00 P.M. 9.30 A.M.

Cheung Chow—9.00 P.M. —

Shantou, Sha-

Tin and

Shanghai—4.00 P.M. —

Aberdeen, Antau,

P. &amp; S. Shan,

Sai Kung,

Santian, Stanley—4.30 P.M. —

Canton, Samsui

Regis. 5 P.M. 5.00 P.M.

and Wuchow

Regis. 5 P.M. 5.00 A.M.

Macao—7.15 A.M. 9.00 A.M.

Regis. 5 P.M. 5.00 P.M.

Kongmoon—8.00 P.M. 5.00 P.M.

Except Saturdays

Nantian and

Santian—5.00 P.M. 5.00 P.M.

Shanghai—10.00 P.M. 9.00 A.M.

Except Saturdays.

In the case of Mails closing before 9

a.m. Registration closes at 6 o'clock on

the day previous evening.

## HONGKONG TIDES.

The tide-table given below has been

compiled at the National Almanac Office

in London from the result of the analysis

of observations taken by means of an

automatic tide-recording machine in the

Water Police Basin at Tsim Sha Tsui

during the years 1877-8-9.

The zero of the table corresponds with

the zero of the sounding in the Admiralty

Chart, which has been found to be 4 feet

3 inches below mean sea level.

To obtain the depth of water on the

tide gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard

add 3 feet 4 inches, and on the gauge at

Lamont Dock, Aberdeen, add 10 feet

4 inches to the height given in the table

March 22nd to 29th, 1917.

High Water

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ECZEMA PIMPLESOn Arms, Limbs and Chest.  
Sleep Almost Impossible.

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VEHICLES.

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Quarter hour—10 cents.

Half hour—20 "

One hour—30 "

Three hours—50 "

Six hours—70 "

Day (8 a.m. to 6 p.m.)—\$1.00

If the trip is extended beyond Victoria,

half fare extra.

Between the hours of 8.30 p.m. and 6

a.m. the above fares shall be increased

by 50 per centum.

II.—Beyond Victoria, with four Bearers.

Hour—0.60 cents.

Three hours—1.00 "

Six hours—1.50 "

Day (8 a.m. to 6 p.m.)—2.00 "

III.—In the Hill District.

With 2 Bearer with 4 Bearers.

Quarter hour—30.15 0.30

Half hour—0.30 0.60

One hour—0.30 0.90

Three hours—0.70 1.00

Six hours—1.00 1.50

Day (8 a.m. to 6 p.m.)—1.50 2.00

IV.—In the Hill District.

With 2 Bearer with 4 Bearers.

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## WEATHER REPORT.

On the 22nd at noon.—No returns  
from Japanese stations. Pressure has  
decreased slightly at Shanghai and in-  
creased slightly at all other reporting  
stations: the anticyclone appears to be  
moving eastward.

Fresh monsoon will prevail along the  
east and south coasts of China and over  
the northern part of the China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours  
ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total  
since January 1st, 1.80 inches, against an  
average of 3.06 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at

noon on the 23rd March:—

1.—Hongkong to Cap Rock: E. winds,

moderate to fresh; fair.

2.—Formosa Channel: N. winds,

strong.

3.—South coast of China between

Hongkong and Lamooks: The same as

No. 1.

4.—South coast of China between

Hongkong to Hainan: The same as

No.